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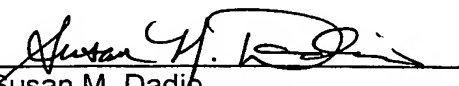
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Foreign Patent Documents

1. Japanese Patent Publication No. 44-4651, published on February 26, 1944 (with English language abstract).
2. Japanese Patent Publication No. 59-001446, published on January 6, 1984 (with English language abstract).

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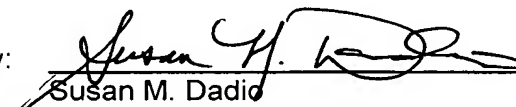
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